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BRITNEY Spears' sensational sex tape blew the internet yesterday. The 19-second clip apparently showing Britney performing a sex act on hubby Kevin Federline crashed site pornotube.com after millions tried to download it. Sleazy Kev claims to have a full four-hour tape of the romp.

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BRIT BLOWS WEB

Sex vid brings down net



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But I'm still
posing for

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Executed by hitmen

LEBANON'S industry minister Pierre Gemayel was gunned down yesterday in an ambush. His car was rammed in a Beirut street and three gunmen sprayed it with bullets. Gemayel, 34, was the fifth anti-Syrian public figure to be killed in the last two years and sources soon blamed the country again.

SEARCH: Police examine the minister's bullet-riddled car for evidence.

Happy Birthday
Hollywood beauty Scarlett Johansson is 22. Her films include *Lost in Translation*.



Thought for the day...
The wheel is turning but the hamster's dead.

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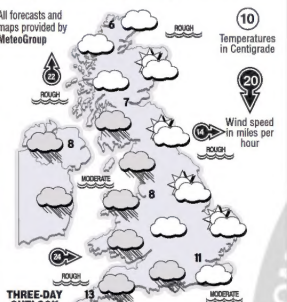
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INFO STATION

TODAY: After a bright, chilly start in the east, rain in Northern Ireland, south-west England and western Wales will spread to the rest of England, Wales and western Scotland. Showers in northern Scotland.

OUTLOOK: Unsettled tomorrow with strong winds, accompanied by showers or spells of rain. On Friday, more showers in the north, with more persistent rain spreading to the south.

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THREE-DAY OUTLOOK



Thursday
Showers



Friday
Showers



Saturday
Rain

POUND ABROAD

Australia	2.34 dollars
Canada	2.07 dollars
Cyprus	0.81 pounds
Czech Republic	37.93 korunas
Mexico	18.54 pesos
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Turkey	2.60 new lira
United States	1.81 dollars

EURO

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ABROAD

Alicante	sunny	18c (64f)	Moscow	drizzle	2c (43f)
Corfu	rain	14c (57f)	New York	cloudy	6c (43f)
Dublin	sunny	6c (43f)	Nice	sunny	17c (63f)
L.Angels	sunny	25c (77f)	Paris	cloudy	11c (52f)
Majorca	fair	21c (70f)	Rhodes	cloudy	18c (64f)
Miami	sunny	18c (64f)	Rome	fair	17c (63f)
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SHAMBOLIC!

2004: PM to boot asylum cheats

2006: He deports 28% fewer illegals



TONY Blair was under attack last night after shock figures showed his war on asylum cheats is in chaos.

He pledged in 2004 to stem the massive flow into Britain.

But official figures yesterday revealed the number of deportations of failed asylum seekers fell by 28% this summer to just 3,635.

It's a huge blow to Mr Blair. Yesterday's figures showed the Home Office missed its target by more than 700. It was the lowest

by GARY NICKS

quarterly number of deportations since 2004 - despite a massive drive to clear the 400,000 backlog.

There was more shock news too on Eastern European immigrants.

Official figures show 510,000 are now in the UK and registered to work.

Abysmal

The newcomers have flooded in mainly from Poland after we opened our borders to eight new EU countries.

The Government originally said just 13,000 people would arrive from the former Soviet Bloc states.

The Tories and campaign group Migrationwatch last night slammed the PM's immigration policy as a shambles.

Immigration Minister Liam Byrne admitted "there is more still to do".

Migrationwatch chairman Sir Andrew Green



DAVIS: 'Serious failures'

said: "This is an abysmal performance. The Home Office has now fallen well short of the Prime Minister's target. 'We are going backwards, not forwards.'"

Shadow Home Secretary David Davis said: "These figures expose even more serious failures behind the Government's rhetoric."

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'Borat' meets Blair

THE president of Kazakhstan came out laughing yesterday after discussing Borat with Tony Blair. Brit comic Sacha Baron Cohen outraged the country for portraying its people as racist and ignorant. But President Nursultan Nazarbayev said: "There's no such thing as bad publicity."

LOTTO DAILY PLAY

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 21

3 5 8 11 18 20 26

No ticket matched all 7 balls for the £30,000 prize

SATURDAY LOTTO

NOVEMBER 18

1 19 20 32 42 46 49

No ticket won the £5.6m jackpot

Dream Number: 2-7-5-3-0-8-4. No £500,000 winners
T'Ball: 5, 12, 14, 15, 28 (T'ball 14). Three £250k T'Ball winners

WEDNESDAY LOTTO

NOVEMBER 15

2 3 17 22 40 42 12

One ticket scooped the £2.5m jackpot

Dream Number: 7-7-1-3-5-9-0. No £500,000 winner.
T'Ball: 5, 8, 26, 27, 28. (T'ball 1). No ticket won £250,000.

EURO MILLIONS

FRIDAY NOV 17

12, 22, 32, 33, 36

Lucky Star Numbers 2, 6

20 winners (including 7 from UK) share jackpot and get £6.5m each

Kid's gun terror

A SCHOOLBOY cancer victim had a gun pointed at his head as a gang stole his mum's car from a petrol station.

Iman Aslam, eight, was left terrified as three men in their late teens forced his mum Nabeha, 27, to hand over the keys to her £60,000 BMW X5 in Cheadle, Cheshire.

The car was found abandoned later on Monday, five miles away, after being involved in two crashes.

Police say that Iman, from nearby Gatley, has been undergoing chemotherapy for his illness.

Det Insp Terry Sweeney said: "This was a truly shocking incident and we are now studying CCTV footage."

Emily

GORGEOUS Emily is a girl who loves the finer things in life.

Her favourite food is smoked salmon and she dreams of owning a swish Rolls-Royce.

She's new to Page 3, but the 21-year-old, of Hendon, north London, has already made a big impression.

And with her looks and figure, we reckon she'll soon be booking a test drive in that Roller!



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RICE GUY ROBBIE

He tells diners:

EAT THAT: Robbie paid for everyone's meal at the Indian



COOL Robbie Williams curried the favour of diners at an Indian restaurant by paying for everyone's meals.

The £100m megastar spiced up the night by opening his wallet and picking up their tabs.

Robbie was only too happy to say "Let Me Entertain You" - in exchange for being able to eat in peace.

The former Take That hunk hates being disturbed and said he would pay provided no-one approached him.

Robbie, 32, had a quiet word with management at the restaurant to spell out his generous offer.

A source close to the singing star said: "He fancied a quiet evening out with friends - and definitely didn't want to be disturbed."

"He is a very private person, and he gets jittery when a lot of people approach him and ask to have their picture taken with him."

"So he asked the restaurant for some privacy and they obliged."

A fellow diner at the 125-seat Mumbai Blue in Eggington, Derby, said: "People nearly choked on their naan bread when it became known that Robbie was willing to pay for everyone's meal."

"Some cheeky souls even ordered extra helpings and some more booze. We were all desperate to go up and speak to

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by CAMERON MILLAR

him, but everyone seemed to totally respect his wishes.

"Nobody minded though, because the final bill must have cost hundreds, if not thousands, of pounds."

"That's quite a price to pay just for being left alone."

Curry fan Robbie was having a slap-up meal with a small group of close friends at the restaurant earlier this month when he made the offer.

Stress

Robbie, who is signed to a whopping £80million record deal with music giants EMI, has always been careful to protect his personal space, especially since he cancelled a leg of his tour earlier in the autumn.

The singer, who has risen to become one of the world's biggest stars, claimed he could not handle the stress.

A source at the restaurant, who did not want to be identified, confided: "He was here but we don't really want to talk about this."

A spokesman for the star added: "We do not comment on what Robbie does in his private life."

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ROMPS: Joker Steve-O

Steve's no ass

JACKASS star Steve-O yesterday revealed the plus side of fame - romps with lust-struck fans. The 32-year-old even admitted bedding two girls in one day.

The London-born telly and movie prankster, real name Stephen Glover, admitted in a saucy online interview: "I do hook up with Jackass groupies. I try to get laid as much as possible. But I don't think I've done better than two in one day."

Steve-O also confessed he had a pet name for his manhood: "I call him Julius. I've been calling him that since I was 16. I just thought it was a funny name."



BIG HEARTED: Simon

Simon not so 'Nasty'

■ by KATIE BEGLEY
SHARON Osbourne sparked a live TV charity bidding war before being trumped by rival X Factor Judge Simon Cowell.

The queen of rock surprised ITV1 producers when she called This Morning on air to donate £10,000 towards its Christmas appeal.

But Telly's "Mr Nasty" Simon, 47, who was appearing on the show, refused to be outdone.

As soon as she hung up he pledged £25,000 towards the drive to raise money for hospices across the UK.

Appeal

Kind-hearted Sharon, 54, said: "I want to donate £5,000 from me and Ozzy wants to give you £5,000 too."

Moments later Simon said: "I want to help your appeal too - how much did Sharon give?"

When gobsmacked host Phillip Schofield, 44, told him £10,000, Simon laughed and added:

"Right, well I'll give 25 grand - deal?"
An ITV insider said last night: "The producers couldn't believe what they were hearing."

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Cat fed to dog

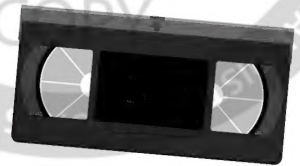
THUG Callum Myers dropped a cat into his dog's jaws and watched it being ripped apart, a court heard yesterday.

Myers, 18, was caught on CCTV grinning as he returned the cat to the Staffordshire bull terrier after it had fled.

Tanya Forrest, prosecuting, told magistrates in Huddersfield, West Yorks: "This was an act of pure malevolence."

Myers was sentenced to four months' detention.

OOPS! BRITNEY SEX VID BLOWS UP WEBSITE



Millions try to download clip

THE sensational sex tape claiming to show Britney Spears and Kevin Federline on honeymoon was leaked on the internet yesterday.

And X-rated pornotube.com website instantly crashed as millions tried to view the raunchy clip.

The 19-second snippet apparently shows Britney performing a sex act on Kevin.

A source who saw it said: "It's no-holds-barred stuff. She certainly seems to be enjoying herself and you have to think the fella is too."

Manhood

Curious fans logging on to the site could only see a white rectangle as the video struggled to load due to massive demand - but the Daily Star managed to download the clip. In the brief segment

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■ by TOM SAVAGE

the video appears to show a close-up of Kev's manhood as a smiling Britney performs the sex act.

The source added: "If this is only a taster of the full action then it's not hard to see how Kevin thinks he will be able to retire on the profits from it."

Kev - who is in the middle of a divorce bust-up with Britney - says he has a four-hour film of the pair having sex. The 28-year-old is using it as leverage in the battle to get as much cash off Britney as possible.

But we told yesterday that 24-year-old Britney was looking to leak the video to stop Kev from cashing in.

Reports said he has been offered tens of millions of dollars for the film from websites who want to sell it on to fans. But Britney hit back, claiming the film was only 45 minutes long and that his performance would only leave him open to ridicule if he flogged it.

Porn industry insiders say the bombshell tape could rake in £120m - four times what 25-year-old Paris Hilton's infamous tape earned.

Skills

The sex video is the latest controversy for Britney and Kevin, who have two children together - Sean, 14 months, and nine-week-old Jayden.

Their parenting skills were called into question when social services investigated when Sean fell out of his high chair.

And Britney attracted criticism when she drove down the road away from photographers near her Malibu home without a seat-belt and with baby Sean on her lap.

In January 2004 she wed childhood pal Jason Alexander after a boozy weekend in Las Vegas. That marriage lasted only 55 hours before being annulled.

She married dancer and wannabe singer Kevin two years ago.

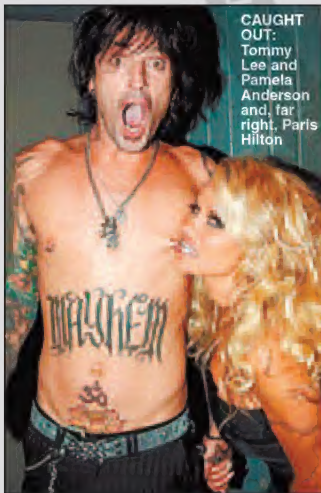
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BLUSHING BRIDE: Kevin and Britney on their wedding day

THE X-LIST VICTIMS



CAUGHT OUT: Tommy Lee and Pamela Anderson and, far right, Paris Hilton

PARIS Hilton's romps with her ex-boyfriend Rick Salomon are the most famous sex tapes to leak out on the internet.

Rat Rick, 38, sold the film after the pair split up. It was dubbed "One Night In Paris" and became an instant best-seller, eventually being released on DVD.

She sued Rick and was awarded a £300,000 slice of the profits.

Other stars caught out when private videos leaked on the internet include 28-year-old model Kate Price, alias Jordan. She was filmed in a naked romp with a mystery fella widely rumoured to be ex-Another Level singer Dane Bowers, 26.

Shamed telly star John Leslie was enjoying a foursome in his mucky movie, with sexy Abi Titmuss, telly presenter Robyn James and another girl.

Shot at Leslie's west London home, it shows him holding the camera as girls perform a variety of sex acts on him and each other.

At one point naughty nurse

■ by TOM SAVAGE

Abi, 30, looks up and says: "This is a bit different to my acting lessons."

The original home video to leak out starred former Baywatch babe Pamela Anderson, 39, with her then husband Tommy Lee, 44.

The action switches from a yacht to a van on a motorway, showing initiative and planning that made it an instant bestseller.

The sex helped too, with the pair skinny-dipping and repeatedly having sex.

And last year Colin Farrell, 30, joined the X-List after footage of him being pleased by a prostitute found its way onto the internet.

Even the likes of Imogen Thomas, 23, are not safe from former lovers.

A seven-minute sex vid claiming to feature her was sold for £7.99 while she was still in the Big Brother house this year.



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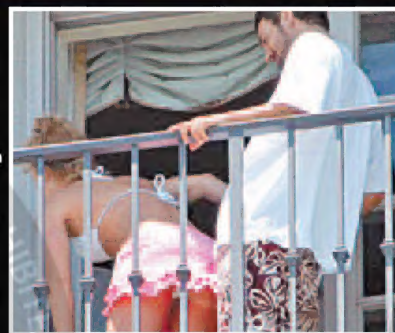
It's real say fans

■ THESE are the pictures that have convinced fans that it IS Britney and Kev romping in the internet sex video – above left.

■ The pair were pictured together on their honeymoon as Britney got to grips with her fella when they were on a balcony, below and right. The happy pair

were also snapped lying in each other's arms, above right – and those who have seen the video point out how Britney's honeymoon haircut is exactly the same as the one in the sex clip.

■ Meanwhile, the pic on the left shows just how upset Britney is over the split from Kevin.

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As rivals square up, we look at past battles

TECHNO WARS

NINTENDO'S new Wii games console is proving hotter than Potter, with only the rival PlayStation 3 set to challenge it.

Pre-orders for the first batch of £180 Wii games machines sold out at in just seven minutes on top webshop Amazon yesterday.

Which makes it an even faster seller than Harry Potter merchandise and DVDs.

The Wii will be launched on December 8. Its rival, the £350 PS3, will hit the shops here early next year.

History shows that when two rival products go head to head, only one usually survives – not always the best.

Here, **JAMES WICKHAM** looks at the biggest techno battles from the past...

VHS v Betamax



IN 1980, JVC's VHS system took on Sony's Betamax. It may not have been as good, but the public went for the cheaper model – leaving Betamax, above, to die out.

PC v Apple

PC set-ups may have the lion's share of the market, but Apple's sexy styling has helped make the firm ultra-chic. The iPod, which is made by Apple, has helped boost company sales.



Cassette v 8-Track

ANYONE remember the 8-track music cartridge? It was invented in 1964 by Bill Lear, maker of the LearJet.

The neater Philips Compact Cassette, pictured, introduced the year before, beat it hands down and is still on sale today. The only place you'll now see an 8-track is on retro TV show *Life On Mars*.



Concorde v 747

SUPERSONIC beauty Concorde, below, was built in 1969 by Brits – with a bit of help from the French – and is still ahead of its time. But while we were celebrating our cleverness, the Yanks were churning out cheaper and easier to maintain 747s that earned billions.



Sega v Nintendo

IF you grew up in the 1990s, you were either with Mario or Sonic. Tubby Italian plumber Mario, right, helped sell 285 million games, hedgehog Sonic, left, could only shift 44m. Seems like no-one told the Japanese that they were apparently the only people in the world who liked to keep prickly hedgehogs as pets – while we all like to see a cheery plumber!



Blu-Ray v HD DVD



WITH the arrival of High Definition TV, the battle has begun over which movie format will become the DVD of the future.

In the blue corner is the sexily named Blu-ray, developed by Japan and Korea.

And in the other is HD DVD, invented principally by Toshiba and backed by Hollywood.



Spectrum v Commodore

IF you're in your 30s, there's a good chance you get misty-eyed at the thought of the Spectrum's rubber keyboards. But it was the rival Commodore computer system which cornered the market.



Google v Yahoo

YAHOO was the daddy of internet search engines, dating back to 1994. Google is very much the new kid on the block, having arrived on the scene just nine years ago.

But it has easily overtaken its rival to become the most used search engine in the world. Google is not only a net hit – it's now also rated as one of the world's richest companies.



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Gordon's no Santa

GORDON Brown has published his personal Christmas card.

It features – as we show on page 12 – a group of cute children playing around a tree.

Every part of multi-cultural Britain is represented in this warm and happy scene.

But we're not buying it.

His politically-correct vision of the Britain that Labour has created is sheer fantasy.

Mr Brown's card should have had some fat children to reflect the obesity epidemic that has arisen during his time in power.

The hoodies, binge-drinking youths and teenage junkies who plague our streets should also have been included.

Among the presents under the tree, the Chancellor should have given pride of place to one of his huge tax demands.

We're sure the country will agree with us when we say...

Mr Brown can take his festive greeting – and stick it where the snow doesn't fall.

More Blair faced lies

TWO of Tony Blair's major pledges were shown to be worthless yesterday by his own Government's figures.

He has failed to meet his target for removing the backlog of 400,000 failed asylum seekers.

Deportations actually fell by 28% over the summer. Meanwhile, the number of people applying for asylum is on the rise again.

Mr Blair also promised only 13,000 workers a year would come here from the new EU states of Eastern Europe.

The latest figures show in excess of 500,000 have arrived in barely two years.

And that's just the ones who have joined a registration scheme.

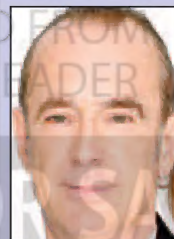
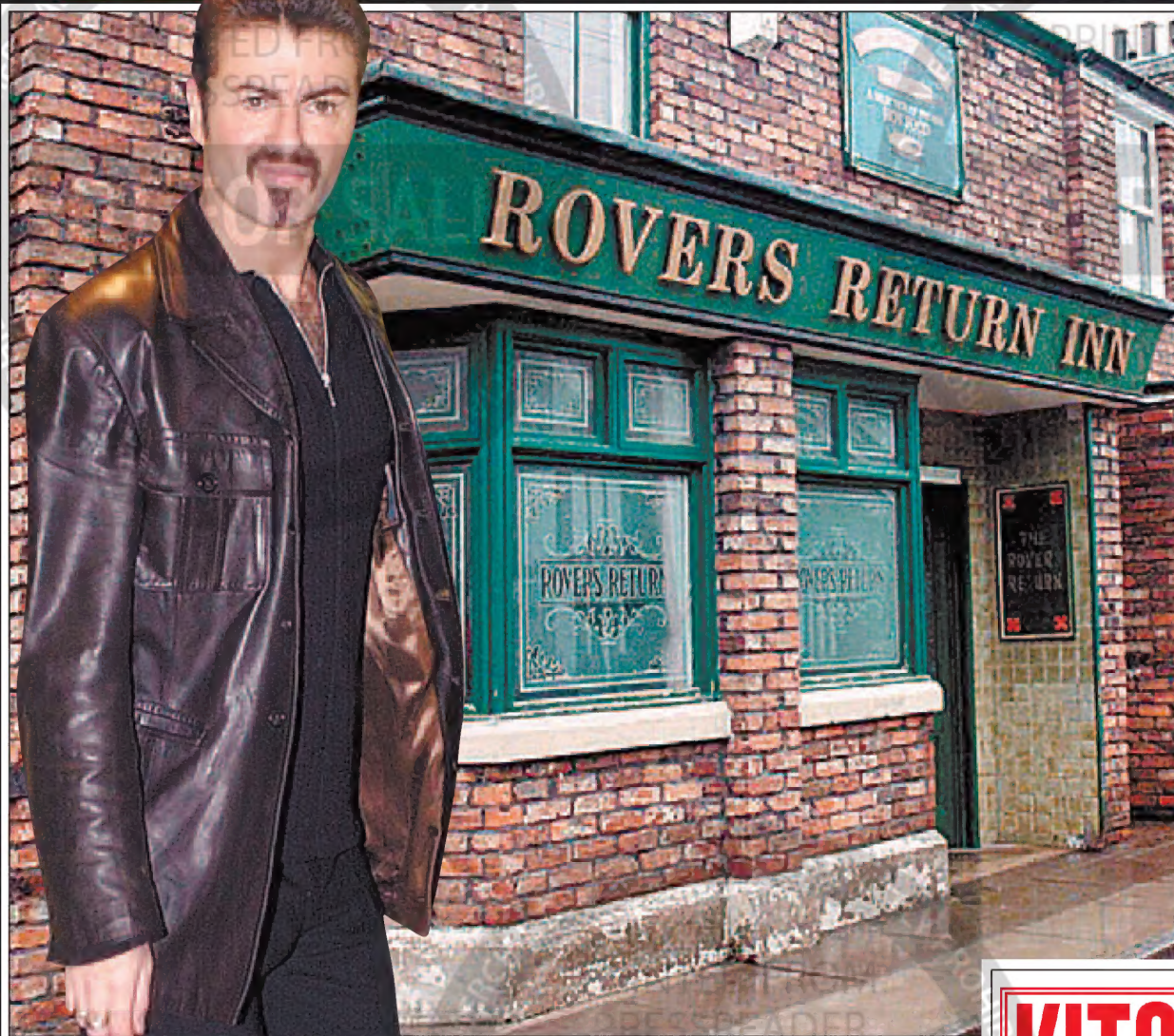
In the words of the pressure group Migrationwatch – we are going backwards, not forwards, in attempts to properly manage immigration.

And the blame lies with Mr Blair's inability to deliver what he promises.

A Brit tasty

DON'T get overexcited about the Britney Spears sex tape.

We've heard it sucks!



NEW STATUS: Rossi

Celebs queue to star

GEORGE Michael would be the latest in a long line of stars who have tottered down Weatherfield's cobbled streets.

Last year, rockers Status Quo, fronted by Francis Rossi, 57, and Rick Parfitt, 58, played at barmaid Cilla Brown and Les Battersby's wedding and comic Peter Kay, 33, was in the soap a second time as a date for pub landlady Shelley Unwin.

Bond

Kay first appeared in 1997 as a fitter in the corner shop.

Screen legend Sir Ian McKellen, 67, went down a storm as eccentric conman Mel Hutchwright and even the Prince of Wales, 58, appeared in the 40th birthday episode in 2000.

Former Bond Girl Honor Blackman, 78, and Slade frontman Noddy Holder, 60, also made cameos.

GEORGE CRUISES UP OUR STREET!

Singer given a part in Corrie

CORRIE fan George Michael cruised into the Rovers yesterday... and was immediately asked to return.

Bosses told the superstar they would like him to appear on screen.

Producer Steve Frost told George he would be featured in a special storyline.

An insider said afterwards: "George is welcome to be on Coronation Street any time."

"It would be a pleasure to have him drop in at the Rovers."

The heart-throb stunned Street stars when he turned up in Weatherfield for a secret behind-the-

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by JOHN MAHONEY

scenes nose. And no sooner had his black boots hit the cobbles at the Granada TV studios than he asked: "Where's the Rovers?"

Grin

When he flung open the doors he was greeted by fans from the cast, who told the 43-year-old former Wham! idol: "Pour us a pint then, George."

And with a huge grin he obliged, pouring the perfect glass of Newton & Ridley's and handing it to awestruck Sally Whittaker, 43, who plays Sally Webster.

George declared: "It doesn't

get any better than this." Those watching included Jennie McAlpine, 22, Wendi Peters, 38, and 13-year-old Sam Aston - the show's Fiz Brown, mum Cilla and brother Chesney.

George was then taken off to watch a scene being filmed between man-eating Tracy Barlow and bullying boyfriend Charlie Stubbs, played by Kate Ford, 29, and Bill Ward, 39.

George shook hands all round and signed autographs.

Then he nipped off for a soundcheck ahead of his sell-out show last night at Manchester's MEN Arena on his first British tour for 15 years.

Corrie latest - see Soaper Star: Page 20

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ON THE PULL: But this time George was only handling a pint in the Rovers Return

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POISON SPY: I'M RADIOACTIVE

Deadly twist to toxin plot

POISONED Russian spy Alexander Litvinenko was struck down by a lethal radioactive drug, medics treating him fear.

But the mystery surrounding the 007-style plot deepened last night as doctors said it was "unlikely" he was slipped the deadly toxin thallium.

The experts also admitted they may never find out how the KGB defector was poisoned. Litvinenko, 43, remained in a

■ by IAIN BURCHELL

serious condition in intensive care yesterday. He has suffered devastating damage to his bone marrow and blood cells. That initially suggested the poison could be "radioactive thallium".

Transplant

Last night the consultant caring for Litvinenko at University College Hospital in London said a radioactive poison had "not been excluded".

Dr Amit Nathwani added: "It is also quite possible that we may never find the ultimate cause."

Top toxicologist Dr John Henry had earlier warned Litvinenko may need a bone marrow transplant.

Friends claim Litvinenko was targeted because of his criticism of Russian President Vladimir Putin.

But the Kremlin has dismissed all accusations of its involvement as "sheer nonsense".

Litvinenko had been investigating the murder of dissident Russian journalist Anna Politkovskaya.

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POISONED: KGB defector Mr Litvinenko is seriously ill in hospital and may need a bone marrow transplant



MEETING: Prof Scaramella

Hit list terror

ITALIAN professor Mario Scaramella came out of hiding yesterday and claimed he had given Litvinenko a "hit list" with their names on it the day he was struck down.

The Italian underworld expert emerged in Rome to give details of their meeting in a London sushi bar.

Referring to the gangland list Prof Scaramella, 38, said: "There were also names of people in Britain on it. I asked him to make a call to his people in Russia to evaluate it."

"Mr Litvinenko told me not to worry about it. The arrangement was that I would call him later."

He added: "We did not take extra precautions. We were not looking over our shoulders. We thought we were OK."

Itsu set to sue

THE sushi bar where Litvinenko met his contact shortly before falling ill has insisted it has nothing to do with his poisoning.

Itsu in Piccadilly Circus said it would sue anyone who suggested that the restaurant or staff were involved.

Police are understood to be more interested in a second meeting Litvinenko had at an unknown central London hotel.



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BECKS: I WON'T BE NEXT TOM CRUISE

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PARTY PALS: David and Victoria Beckham and right, Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes at their glitzy wedding bash in Italy



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EXCLUSIVE
Tom and Katie wedding pictures and full coverage in *OK!* magazine OUT NOW

by NADINE LINGE

DAVID Beckham has revealed he does not want to be the new Tom Cruise.

Despite being close pals with the Mission: Impossible star, Becks, 31, says he has no wish to follow in his footsteps and become an actor.

There has been speculation the Real Madrid ace would turn to the silver screen once his playing days were over, and a string of Hollywood moguls were interested in signing him up.

He was even rumoured to have discussed possible roles with newlywed Tom, 44, who is producing a string of new films.

But Becks, who missed Tom's glitzy Italian wedding to actress Katie Holmes, 27, after being ordered back to Madrid, yesterday

'Acting is a mission impossible for me'

insisted he has no intention of becoming the next Tinseltown idol. He told a Spanish magazine: "No way! I've never wanted to be an actor. I don't want to act. It has never appealed to me."

Gift

"When I finish my career what I want to do most is spend more time with my sons and Victoria and do some work for good causes. "I want to create more sports schools for children."

Meanwhile, it was revealed yes-

terday that Becks gave Tom the ideal wedding present.

Perfect for his children, that is - personal football lessons from the ex-England captain.

The War Of The Worlds actor's two adopted young ones, Connor and Isabella, will soon be learning to bend it like Beckham.

Posh, 32, and Becks spent weeks trying to find pal Tom the ideal something to mark his marriage.

A source close to the Beckhams said: "She considered buying his-and-hers watches and various

home decor presents, but just couldn't find anything suitable.

"Tom's daughter Isabella is football mad which gave David the brainwave."

Tom and Katie are regulars at the kids' sports matches - 11-year-old Connor plays American football while Isabella, 13, loves British-style football.

Sale

And as the couple enjoy their honeymoon in the Maldives, the first souvenir from their wedding has been posted on eBay.

Fans of the couple, who tied the knot in a Scientology ceremony surrounded by stars including Jennifer Lopez, 37, and Jim Carrey, 44, can snap up an ashtray from Odescalchi Castle.

The current bid stands at \$36 (£19) and already thousands have made an offer.

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TOO FLASHY: Ben Fleet

Fair cop for cop car fake

A DRIVER who mocked up his Ford Mondeo to look like a police car was caught when he nearly crashed into a real patrol vehicle.

Ben Fleet, 21, had a blue light flashing and siren sounding so that he could drive through heavy traffic, Peterborough magistrates heard.

The real police car was forced to brake to avoid a collision with Fleet, of Emneth, Cambs.

After being found guilty of dangerous driving, he was given an 18-month community order and ordered to carry out 150 hours' unpaid work.

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Grapevine

MYLEENE and Lauren ventured where no girl has gone before – to do dunny duty and empty the girle bush loo at Snake Rock Camp.

SCOTT has finally bagged a bed partner. He woke up and found a rat next to him in bed.

GREEDY Phina ate the jungle beans raw because she hates how they taste when cooked. But after gobbling a few she threw up.

AFTER 10 days, Toby managed to have a "poopie".

GLAMOUR girls Michelle Marsh and Lucy Pinder think big-chested Faith's got the best boomerangs in the jungle. Michelle said: "She's got a great pair."

CHEEKY ITV2 Get Me Out Of Here Now host Mark Durden Smith has branded the Girls v Boys as "the boobies against the balls".



FALL GUY: Scott hurtles to Earth and by the look on his face, right, he seems to know he's on a loser

Jan's on
a high

VIEWERS got the chance to push whinger Jan Leeming out of a plane yesterday and send her plummeting 14,000 feet. The only drawback was the former news reader was strapped to a sky-diving expert to ensure she landed safely. Rivals Jan, 64, and Scott Henshall, 31, were picked on to compete in the Bushtucker Trial called Catch A Falling Star.

Meals

As they sailed to earth a string of ribbons with stars attached were released. Jan caught four before they hit the ground – twice as many as Scott – earning more meals. But when she said the girls should let the boys win something, Phina Oruche, 31, barked: "No way! This is a contest!"



OH CHUTE: Jan clings to her parachute straps and prays to be safely back on land, relaxing like normal, below



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Another Bushtucker Trial and another success. It's hard to keep jungle Jan down – even if she is an old whinger.

JASON

One of the few male contestants not whingeing and getting on with the task. Looking like a future king of the jungle.

MYLENE

She's been forced to clean out the dunny. And she'll kick up a stick when she finds out her fella's lost the engagement ring.

DAVID

He reckons he has lost two stone since being in the jungle, but he has lost none of his vocal skills. If he goes without food much longer though, he won't be laughing.

PHINA

She's offering to strip naked for more food for the girls. That's something we'd like to see instead of her bitching.

LAUREN

Came up with the 'handy' advice that the girls should chew their fingers if they get hungry. Very helpful, if you're a cannibal.

TOBY

Finally managed to go to the loo but he's still not happy. Just shut up and eat the rice matey.

DEAN

We think it was a bit of a 'Gaff' to put him in as a late entry. He is no big A-list star but at least he won the celeb chest for the boys.

MALANDRA

She only moves up because she smiled twice and looked quite pretty. That's an all-action day by her standards.

FAITH

It's looking like a boob paying her to be on the show as she provides no laughs. Hasn't been the mother figure we were expecting either.

MATT

Dean Gaffney's missus might want him to win – but she's the only one! We can only hope his personality will Bust out soon!

SCOTT

Failed in his head-to-head with Jan and is now sleeping with a rat. His tail's firmly between his legs.

Illustration:
SCOTT CLISSOLD



FLASH IN THE AN: David Gest covers Toby Anstis' bum as he tries to get changed without revealing all to the contestants

BUM MEAL

Kanga-chew ordeal

STARVING jungle celebs were last night facing the most stomach-churning Bushtucker Trial ever – chomping on kangaroo bums and crocodile willies.

Viewers were given the chance to vote on who they wanted to go head-to-head in the gruesome task called Bushtucker Duel.

A show spokesman said: "The campers are hungry but can they stomach these delicacies? They are the most stomach churning range ever." Mylene Klass didn't do herself any favours with viewers by admitting she is finding it a nightmare having to survive on rice and beans.

Rare

And yesterday she blurted out: "I think I'd rather eat a witchetty grub."

Seconds later the 28-year-old former Hear'Say babe realised she may have put her foot in it. Poor Mylene muttered: "Oh dear I might end up eating my words."

The man who dreams up all the trials for the TV show, Chris Lore, 39, admitted he was sworn to secrecy over what dishes he planned to serve up to

■ by **MARK JEFFERIES**

scare the stars this year. He teased: "All I will say is, anything is possible in this show. But we do have some rather rare dishes."

And brave Chris admitted that, as the taskmaster for the series, he often tries out his own Bushtucker Trials to prove that he can do what he puts the stars through.

However on the subject of kangaroo bum, he said: "Well, I have a team and we draw straws as to who tries what. Let's just say I'm hoping not to draw the short straw if that comes up!"

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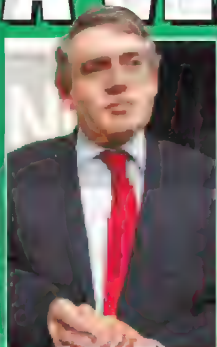
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CANNY Gordon Brown is sending a Christmas message to whites, Asians, Chinese, blacks – and even redheads.

The wannabe Prime Minister seems to have made sure every kind of voter is on his book-themed card, among them people with ginger

by **JAMES WICKHAM**

hair. The Chancellor even includes a red squirrel – an ethnic minority in the animal kingdom.

An aide quipped: "Perhaps there should be a disabled kid, too." **The Star Says: Page 6**

PRESENCE OF MIND: Brown's card appeals to every kind of voter



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Brothers hit the Road...

SORRY to say it, but the MacDonald Brothers were at the top of their game on X Factor on Saturday, rising once more to the dizzy heights of competent.

Simon was right - they did sing the most boring song in the world in Love Is All Around. What next, fellas? Everything I Do I Do It For You? Gnarlis Barkley's Crazy?

Fact is, though, they performed better than Eton Road. They actually even performed better than Ray. And that's what the Saturday nights are all about.

Except, of course, they're not really about the contest at all, are they? Just ask the winner of two years ago, Steve Brookstein, who this week had to cancel a gig in a cupboard in a Cardiff because he hadn't sold enough tickets.

It doesn't matter if the worst thing in the world happens and the MacDonald Brothers win it, because all they'll do is get on next year's BBC Scotland portion of Children In Need. Being gunged, or something.

Ben will sell a few records to damp-knickered young mums. Ray will release a Ray Sings The Rat Pack album and Leona, even if she goes out next week, will become a huge star - because I go to about 300 gigs a year and I don't think I've heard a singer that good in any of them.

But the show is really about Cowell v Walsh. Sharon has been reduced to merely being Louis' screeching harpy in the middle. She's there as a buffer zone to stop them scratching each other's eyes out. She's become the Switzerland of ITV.

If she wasn't there, Simon and Louis would end up in one of those great set-tos you see outside a pub on Friday night, where two girls are arguing over who loves some spider-fingered white-shirted grease-ball the most.

So Simon's decision to keep Eton Road in was ALL about his power struggle with Louis, rather than their performance. Because Robert was STREETS ahead.

I love Eton Road. They're the first boy-band to be remotely interesting - mainly because of the old Martine McCutcheon-looky-likey fella. And I quite like the skin-head one's look. The way he dresses in that military jacket. Like

Pete Doherty's really tidy young brother. The one who always grassed him up to their mum. ("MUUUM! PETE'S BEEN AT THE SMACK AGAIN!")

But for the past two weeks the songs have been all over the shop, with some of the harmonies not even in the same postcode as each other, let alone the right key. Come on, fellas. And Martine.

Simon let them through so he could kill Louis with his kindness.

And possibly because he's worried that, with only one band left, Louis might put all his focus on the MacDonald Brothers and they might become dangerously average.



■ IT turns out the Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes marriage was a sham. Really? You mean they haven't actually... oh sorry, I went off on the wrong foot there, didn't I? You mean the big Hollywood celebrity ceremony they had in Italy was a sham

because Posh Spice was there and she isn't a big Hollywood celebrity? Not that either. It turns out that Katie and Tom had already wed and this was just a party. Not just any party but a Scientology Party. And there ain't no party like an S Club party, is there?

■ MEANWHILE in the Jungle... Scott Menshaw thinks Jan Leeming keeps getting picked to do the challenges because the public don't like her banging on about them and are punishing her.

No, Scott. They LIKE her banging on about them because it annoyed the hell out of YOU.

When is Faith Brown going to do an impression for us? Apart from the one she's doing of someone's OTT gran after a few sherries?

And why did Medie Bob rule David Galt out of the parachute challenge? Is it because, if the wind changes

direction up there, his face could stay that way?

Least surprising thing heard this week: Scott saying how determined he was that Phina was not going to shove him away from that challenge chest.

"I wasn't going to let a woman beat me off." No, I'll bet you weren't.

007's Putin the frame for plot

SO this ex-Russian KGB colonel's poisoning - it's because there's a new James Bond movie out, isn't it? Vladimir Putin is in the huff that they don't have Russian badies any more and, in a move of pure nostalgia for the good old days, decides to have a dissident offed on the street of London.

You can tell it's down to the 007 movie because of the manner in which it was done. Poisoned in a sushi bar, we are told. I bet the assassin used hollowed-out chop-

sticks designed by the Russian answer to Q (probably one of those upside-down back-to-front letters they have just to be awkward).

It couldn't get more Bond if Odd Job had leapt out from behind the Californian Maki Roll and tried to slice off his head with a razor-tipped sashimi plate.

One theory had it that a poison was used which was tasteless, colourless and odourless. If you're not up to speed with modern chemicals, think of it as a Budweiser that can kill you.

CASHING IN ON LIFE AS A DAD

IT now costs £180,000 to raise a child. That's an unbelievable figure. But when you break it down, you can understand why. A few grand a year on clothes, a few grand a year on food.

Once you factor the football season ticket and two new kits every year on top of that, you're not going to have much change from 200 grand. Not that I or any other parent begrudges this level of spending.

Well, not if the kids grow up to be thoroughly nice adults with partners who have good chat and a ton of serious cash.

But if they end up useless drug addicts, criminals or in boybands, then I think us parents should have some form of redress.

So what I propose is a contract. Drawn up at birth and explained to the baby by one of these super-smart child psychologists.

We as parents propose to loan them £180,000 over 18 years on the condition that, during that time, they don't get pregnant, have parties in the house or go out with someone who has a tattoo on their face.

Then they pay us back. In instalments. Over the next 18 years.

We'll call it our new "Super-pension".

Brown nosing

YOU can tell Gordon Brown is seriously gearing up for the Labour leadership.

He's already trying to get the country's most important opinion formers on message. Which is why he's sent me a Christmas card.

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Vincent star leads Brit swoop on Emmys

HOOORAY FOR WINSTONE



HARD ACT: Ray in Vincent

by LIZZIE CATT
TOUGHGUY actor Ray Winstone led a great night for Britain at the International Emmy awards.

The Brits took six of the 10 top prizes at the New York ceremony. Winstone, 49, bagged the Best Performance By An Actor gong – picked up by daughter Jaime, 20 – for TTV detective drama Vincent.

Police time-travel series Life On Mars, starring John Simm, 36, scooped the Best Drama Series.

Teen

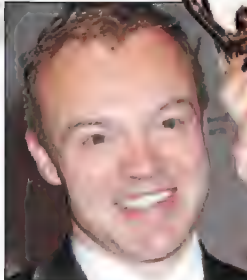
Funny laydees David Walliams, 35, and Matt Lucas, 32, won Best Comedy for BBC series Little Britain.

Channel 4's teen lesbian drama Sugar Rush won in the Children and Young People category.

Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares – which features foul-mouthed chef Gordon Ramsay, 40 – was named Best Non-Scripted Entertainment.

And the Beeb's Hiroshima, about the first use of the atomic bomb, picked up Best Documentary.

The event, which honours shows made outside America, was hosted by Graham Norton, 43. And the Irish



JOKER: Norton poked fun

comic had the crowd in stitches poking fun at the Bush family.

Introducing Dominic Chianese, 75, and Robert Iler, 21, from The Sopranos, he joked: "The two most popular families in America are the Bushes and the Sopranos. One's violent, arrogant and will stop at nothing to get what they want – the other's a hit TV show on HBO."

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PRIZE GAL:
Ray's daughter Jaime picks up Emmy



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Scroll of Honour

BEST performance by an actor: Ray Winstone in Vincent.

Best performance by an actress: Maryam Hassouni in Offers (Netherlands).

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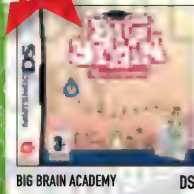
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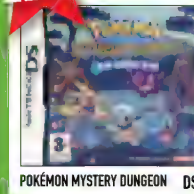
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SHE LOVED YOU... YEAH, YEAH, YEAH

Mucca was mad on Macca

HEATHER Mills has opened her heart about her bitter marriage split, insisting: "I was madly in love with Macca."

The former model denied she had wed Sir Paul McCartney only for his millions.

Heather, 38, spoke out in her first TV inter-

by NADINE LINGE

view since separating from the ex-Beatle, 64.

She said: "I was just blinded by love and totally, totally, madly in love. It just didn't work out."

Heather - dubbed Lady Mucca over her past as a sex manual model - told US telly show Extra that she had not married for money.

She said: "I fell in love for the right reason. And 85% of my income goes to charity. If I was a gold-digger, I would be worth millions."

Heather, who lost a leg in a road accident in 1993, insisted she was throwing all her energy into caring for three-year-old Bea, her daughter with Macca.

She also vowed never to marry again and denied having an affair with personal trainer Ben Amigoni, 22, who has been her constant companion since her marriage split.

Ben was by her side again yesterday, as she flew back into Heathrow from Los Angeles after her TV interview.

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NO GOLD-DIGGER:

Heather, arriving at Heathrow yesterday, insists she was 'madly in love' with Sir Paul



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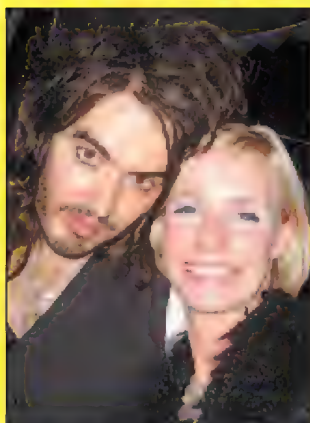
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RUSSELL'S HANDS-ON BRAND OF SEX



STAR TURN: Russell with a copy of the Daily Star during his show

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GOSS BOY: Russell with our Leigh

RUSSELL Brand left the audience at his Intimate Live show shaken and stirred... by describing the moment he was intimate with a bloke in a loo.

The most amusing man, 31, revealed his raunchy history in front of an exclusive crowd of MySpace fans at London's Soho Revue Bar. And in his hour-long performance, he left his audience not just laughing aloud but cringing too.

Wearing a crisp white shirt, a waistcoat and his trademark tight jeans, the former drug addict said: "I once had a bath with a homeless man and w***ed a man in a toilet - but that was for a TV show living in a home with junkies." And he had everyone in hysterics when he went on to describe his mad moment involving a Henry Hoover.

Speaking about being 14 years old and reminiscing about the time he worked at a double-glazing factory, he said: "I was meant to be taking glass around the back but I saw Henry sat there and he was looking at me."

He then went on to describe how he was the "plug to the Hoover's socket".

Boast

After declaring he is completely "heterosexual", he went on to have a little boast he is "very well kept down there".

The Brand, who has been linked to an array of famous foxy females, then went on to talk about the Daily Star and acted out a Mills & Boon style scene while reading a story we ran about him and **Tamara Beckwith**, 36, who claimed she had met him at the GQ Man Of The Year Awards.

And at his after-party, he told our Leigh that actress/fashion designer **Sadie Frost**, 41, was there to support him as a "good pal". Just as well. Because it wasn't long before a blonde model called Sam was flocking not far behind the hairy hunk.

Mind you, she'd have had a job, given that the venue was surrounded by hundreds of Russell's loyal female fans and he's got a staggering 30,000 friends on MySpace.

Which we reckon will go up even more when folk get to see a copy of his new Russell Brand Live DVD, which is flying from shop shelves.



Lindsay's got plenty of time on her hands

■ ANYONE would think Lindsay Lohan had something to hide judging by her three watches.

■ The actress, 20, who is socialising in Blighty with her old pal **Calum Best**, 25, seems to be doing nothing more than partying.

Shops stop

FROSTY-faced **Peaches Geldof** looked as though she was in a foul mood when she was caught on camera leaving London's adidas store in Covent Garden.

Which is funny, considering she laps up the limelight whenever she wants to promote her work as a DJ.

The 17-year-old vixen behaved more like Kevin the Teenager, keeping a tight hold of all her carrier bags as she headed off home with boyfriend **Fred Les**, 19.

At least her rival, trainer-loving **Lily Allen**, 21, would have looked a lot more appreciative.



Picture: XPOSURE

HAVE YOU GOT SOME JUICY GOSSIP FOR US?

IN A JAM OVER WEDDING

JAMELIA has revealed she is desperate to get married but has admitted she's having trouble finding the time.

The 25-year-old sexy singer says she'd love to tie the knot with footballer boyfriend **Darren Byfield**, 30, but their busy work schedules mean the couple can't manage to plan a wedding.

She said: "We do want to get married, it's honestly just when we've got the

time. We want it to be right and we want it to be the perfect day. It will most definitely happen but it could be next year or the year after."

Despite the wedding plans, Jamelia – who has a 13-month-old daughter Tiani with Darren – says she will think long and hard before ever going through labour again.

She said: "It was Darren's first child so

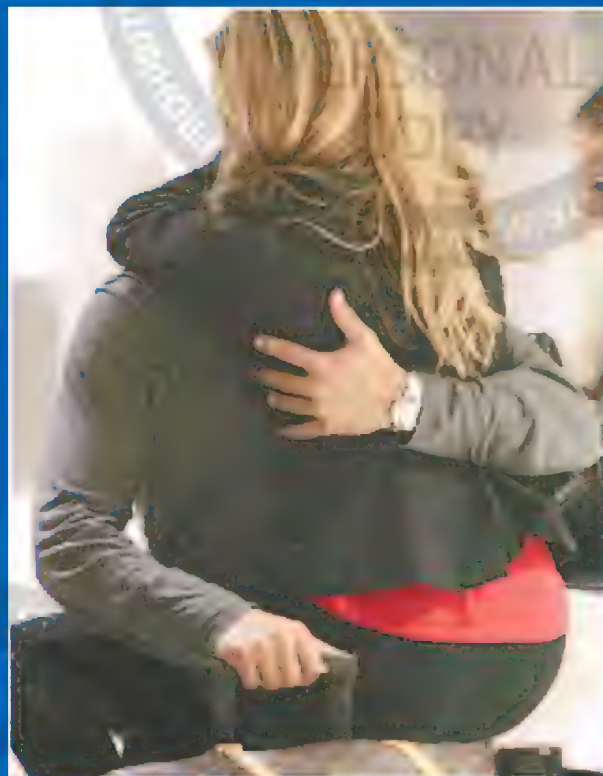
I thought I'd do it naturally. Oh my God, it was the only time it will ever happen. Towards the end I was screaming for a Caesarean. And the language coming out of my mouth! Afterwards I apologised to the midwife."

The lovely lass also added she thinks **Beyoncé Knowles**, 25, has the perfect body. She said: "I would really love to have a bit of meat like Beyoncé."

Pictures: MATRIX



DON'T BE COY: Nadine jumps into Jesse's arms and gives him a snog



Nadine coiled

WHAT a coincidence the camera was there to capture **Nadine Coyle** fall lovingly back into the arms of her ex-boyfriend **Jesse Metcalfe** at LAX airport in Los Angeles.

Indeedy, the Derry-born *Girls Aloud* babe – who split with her *Desperate Housewives* hunk just last week – couldn't have looked more in love with her fit fella when she jumped for joy on him after her long-haul flight.

And Jesse, 27, was equally as pleased to see the 21-year-old.

An onlooker said: "They just couldn't stop kissing each other and seemed chuffed to bits."

After about five minutes of kissing they finally stopped to give some cash to a charity collection on their way out.

Something tells us this one will run and run...



HUSH HUSH

THIS dainty diva has an attitude bigger than Mars and demands her huge entourage spoon feed her yoghurt. The immaculate little lady even has two lackeys to tell her the day's weather forecast before she gets up. But she won't be doing that for much longer. We hear the weird one has been warned by music big-wigs about her bad behaviour.

QUICKIE..

GIRLS Aloud babe **Sarah Harding** has revealed she won't be caught with no knickers on – because she is so self-conscious of her front bottom. Speaking to *Star* magazine, the 25-year-old said: "When I go out I'm not at all self-conscious about showing off my boobs, but I am about down below. I'm very conscious of my lady bits."

SPOTTED

IN London: **Zane Lowe** leaving *Pizza Express*, **Belise Park**, **Liam Gallagher** buying milk in *M&S Camden* and **Norman Cook**, aka **Fatboy Slim**, in *Heathrow Terminal 1*; **Nicola Roberts** shoe shopping on *Oxford Street*, **June Sarpong** getting into a black cab in *Victoria* and **Phillip Schofield** signing autographs on the *South Bank*.

QUICKIE..

JOSH Hartnett has been enjoying socialising with a mystery brunette *Down Under*, sparking rumours that his relationship with **Scarlett Johansson** – who's 22 today – could be over. The 28-year-old actor took a break from filming a horror flick in *New Zealand* to spend some time with the unknown beauty in an exclusive *Sydney* hangout.

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News in brief

PHIL'S KING OF KIDS' TV

TELLY veteran Phillip Schofield has been voted best children's TV presenter ever. The former *Going Live* host, now 44, beat Ant and Dec, both 31, into second place. Former *Blue Peter* star John Noakes, 72, was third. Noel Edmonds, 57, was fourth and Rolf Harris, 76, fifth. Cat Deeley, 30, was 10th in the survey, which was compiled by electronic game, *Bop It Extreme II*.



TOP: Phil Schofield

Web's ad junk-et

JUNK food ads are set to go supersize on the internet to sidestep an advertising ban on children's TV. Fast food chiefs reckon they can still get through to children and teens by targeting websites such as YouTube and MySpace.

The TV ban could backfire because kids spend more time online than watching the box.

Advertising boss Sir Martin Sorrell, of WPP, predicted that brands including Burger King, McDonald's and KFC would join the move. Pepsi and Pizza Hut have already tapped into websites.

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It's pie in the Sky

THIEVES have targeted more than 200 Ford cars, believing a rumour their radio chips can pick up Sky TV for free.

They ignored more expensive vehicles to steal the radios from Fords in Cardiff.

Police believe the Sky rumour started in the US, where some car makers fit radios capable of tuning into a radio network called Sky.

Chief Supt Bob Evans said: "We have spoken to Ford and the satellite providers and can only conclude this is nothing more than a myth."

COL'S GOT ROO IN STYLE

COLEEN McLoughlin has revealed fiancée Wayne Rooney isn't too happy about being named one of football's best-dressed players.

The 21-year-old Manchester United ace came sixth in a poll of players with fashion sense.

But fashion icon Col, 20, said: "He might dress up when we go out but he's not really a follower of fashion."

"He's not bothered about what he wears most of the time."



STYLE TIP: Coleen

Boy crush horror

A BOY was crushed to death by electronic gates at the home of his grandparents - for the sake of 10p.

Jason Keet, nine, often opened the gates to the luxury Bats in Poole, Dorset, by squeezing through a gap.

He would then press a tradesmen's button because the cost of using the intercom was 10p. But he got stuck and the 7ft-tall gates crushed his head, triggering a heart attack, a Bournemouth inquest heard.

Mum Samantha Whittle, from Bournemouth, said: "I was trying to stop them opening but there was no way." Verdict: Accident.

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Doc's sidekick off on her travels again, but not in the Tardis

BILLIE'S BACK

THE Doctor's old sidekick is off time-travelling again.

And this time Billie Piper has popped up in the Victorian era.

The sexy actress, 24, is busy shooting a new BBC drama, *Ruby In The Smoke*.

She stars as Victorian heroine Sally Lockhart, who sets off on a mission to uncover the truth about her

by GARY NICKS

father's death. The drama also features American actor JJ Fields, 35.

It is set to be one of the highlights of the BBC's Christmas schedule.

The Beeb also revealed yesterday that *Doctor Who* - in which Billie played Rose Tyler - will be back with a festive episode.

It features robot Santas

and comic Catherine Tate, 38, as a bride called Donna who needs the help of the Doctor (David Tennant, 35).

Meanwhile, *Little Britain*'s David Walliams, 35, and Matt Lucas, 32, team up with comedy veteran Ronnie Corbett, 75, for their *Little Britain Christmas Special*.

And Dawn French, 49, stars with Richard Armitage, 35, in a new *Vicar Of Dibley*.

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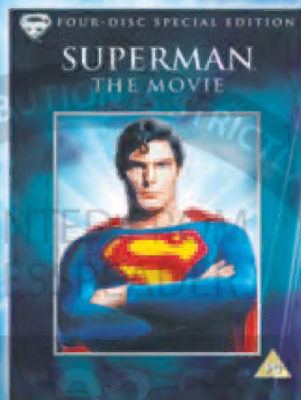
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IT'S A WRAP: Robot Santas in *Doctor Who*; Ronnie joins *Little Britain*, below left, and the Vicar of Dibley gets her man

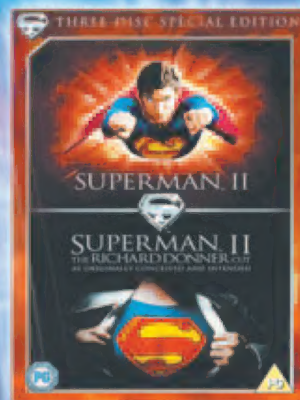


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by JOHN MAHONEY
SCHEMING Tracy Barlow faces a murder rap after battering boyfriend Charlie Stubbs to death.

After smashing the cheat over the head she confesses all to the police, claiming she was forced to protect herself and daughter Amy from a catalogue of violence.

Tracy will try to prove Charlie was mentally and physically attacking her.

She will even scar herself with a red-hot iron, claiming he was the culprit. But it all goes wrong when she is remanded in prison.

Weak

Tracy then turns on dad Ken (William Roache, 74) blaming a weak legal aid lawyer for being refused bail and demanding he hires a high-powered brief to win her freedom.

She pleads: "If he couldn't get me bail, how can I expect him to get me off? I have to have a top lawyer - and you have to pay."

Ken is forced to raise thousands in equity on his house to pay the legal fees.

And just like her mum Deirdre, wrongly caged in 1998 for deception and fraud, Tracy's plight will again trigger a campaign among locals to "Free The Weatherfield One".

Sexy stars Kate Ford, 29, and Bill Ward, 39, are being written out of Corrie after deciding to quit as Tracy and Charlie.



TRAPPED: Pauline tricks son Martin, inset, by saying she has a brain tumour



A Fowl con on Martin

EastEnders

PAULINE Fowler will pretend she is dying from a brain tumour to stop her son Martin getting back with ex-wife Sonia.

The Square's battleaxe (Wendy Richard, 63) devises the plan after surviving a fire at their home.

James Alexandrou, 21, who plays Martin, said: "She'll do absolutely anything to split them up. She knows Martin is a loyal son and will devote all his attention to her."

Hubby fits Bill

SUN Hill's Roberta Taylor has no problem getting up close with her new love interest - he is her real husband.

The actress, who plays Inspector Gina Gold, says she is enjoying her saucy romance with businessman Peter

Harris, played by Peter Guinness, 60. On screen, the pair have only just

started dating but things are soon set to get a lot more steamy as they head for the bedroom.

Roberta, 58, said: "I'm glad I have got a great actor to play against."



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COURT FIGHT: Jessica, right, and wife Sharon

SEX-SWAP HUBBY IN £500K BATTLE

by ELIZABETH JAMES

A SEX swap worker who claims she was hounded out of her job is seeking £500,000.

Jessica Bussert, 42, was allegedly demoted after taking time off to have surgery.

She said when she told boss Steve Larkin about her plans for a sex change, he replied: "Don't do that to me."

"I used to work in an office with someone who did that once and it was weird."

Ms Bussert, previously known as Josh, pretended she was joking.

Mr Larkin allegedly replied: "That's good because it would just be too strange."

The comments, according to Ms Bussert, were made at a business dinner

Boss 'said it was too weird'

a few months after she began working for Hitachi Data Systems in Stoke Poges, Bucks.

American Ms Bussert hoped the UK would be more tolerant than Indiana where she had lived with wife Sharon

and their five children. She began hormone treatment, growing her hair and wearing ear-rings.

Demoted

But after taking time off to have breast implants and facial alterations, she

returned to work to find she had been demoted, it was alleged.

Ms Bussert is also pursuing a parallel claim in America for £1.9million in damages.

The actions are thought to represent one of the

largest discrimination claims ever made on the basis of a sex change.

Tess Gill, for HDS, told the tribunal in Reading, Berks, that Ms Bussert's aggressive approach to negotiations at work was called into question by her employers.

Mr Larkin had advised a "softer approach".

The hearing continues.

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RACE-HATE GANG OF 6 BEAT ASIAN TO DEATH



GRIM: Forensic officers search the dead end where Mr Parvaiz died

A TEENAGE gang ambushed an Asian taxi driver and battered him to death in a savage racist attack, a court heard.

Dad-of-three Mohammad Parvaiz, 41, was lured to a dead end where he was dragged from his cab and beaten with fence posts and bricks.

The mob of six teenagers taunted him with cries of "you f---ing P---i bastard" as they kicked and punched him, fracturing his skull.

Boasts

They then rifled the dying cabbie's clothes, stealing his watch, jewellery and takings.

Afterwards they boasted to pals how they had stamped on the stricken driver.

One said: "I wonder if I have P---i juice on the bottom of my shoes?"

The jury at Leeds Crown Court heard Mr Parvaiz - a cabbie for Lockwood Taxis in Huddersfield, West Yorks - was the victim of a race row between neighbours.

Five weeks earlier he had taken a fare to a house where some of his Asian passengers had damaged a scooter belonging to Christopher Murphy, 18. It is claimed Murphy plotted revenge against the innocent cabbie. Adrian Waterman,



BRUTALLY BEATEN: Mr Parvaiz

■ by JERRY LAWTON

prosecuting, said Murphy spotted the Lockwood Taxis name on the cab and got someone to ring for one, knowing their victim would be Mr Parvaiz.

"This wasn't something that happened on the spur of the moment," said Mr Waterman. "It was all part of a preconceived plan. During the attack the defendants displayed racist attitudes. 'Some very ugly racist language was used.'"

Murphy, Michael Hand, 19, Graeme Slavin, 18, two 17-year-olds and a 16-year-old all deny murder. The trial continues.

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